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Re: Steelcote Manufacturing Company

Dear David:

As you requested, I am writing to confirm the message I left you regarding Steelcote's proposed timetable to dispose of the drums of material that were stored in the tin shed. There are basically three types of materials in the drums: liquid, semi-solid, and solid. There are approximately 100 drums total to be disposed of. At the present time, Steelcote plans to have a TSD facility (Avganics) ship the drums offsite by Friday, May 17, 1991.

As you know, the TSD facility requires that certain analyses be performed before it will accept the materials. At the present time, Steelcote is having Industrial Testing Laboratories of St. Louis perform some of the testing required, and the TSD facility is performing other analyses. This testing should be completed within a week, which will allow removal by the end of next week. In the meantime, Steelcote intends to continue distilling the contents of the drums that contain mostly liquid in order to recover the solvent and reuse it in its operations. The still bottoms will be handled as hazardous waste in accordance with applicable regulations.



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Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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